

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS' LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVE, BY URGING THAT THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE RAISE MIAMI-DADE'S PER-PUPIL FUNDING TO ADEQUATELY PROVIDE FOR A HIGH QUALITY EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE FOR EVERY STUDENT, AND AMEND THE CLASSROOM FOR KIDS ALLOCATION FORMULA FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY FUNDING TO REFLECT ACTUAL CAPITAL OUTLAY NEED.

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Hialeah pledge their support for the Miami-Dade County Public Schools' legislative initiative; and

**WHEREAS**, the Florida Constitution provides that the education of children is a fundamental value of the people of Florida and a paramount duty of the State; and

**WHEREAS**, the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida has constructed an additional 20,000 new student seats to address overcrowding using local funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida will need approximately \$180 million in new monies above current funding levels to continue program enhancements; and

**WHEREAS**, the education system needs to respond to the workforce needs of Florida's employers, including programs that expand career academies in high schools, aligning career education with industry standards and workforce demands, and expanding options for students to continue their education and enter the workforce; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida should continue to move its education system at all levels into the top quartile in education equality, student rankings, and graduation rates based on national standards; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Hialeah urge the Florida Legislature to raise Miami-Dade's per-pupil funding to adequately provide for a high quality educational experience for every student, and amend the Classrooms for Kids allocation formula for capital outlay funding to reflect actual capital outlay need, in furtherance of the Miami-Dade County Public Schools' legislative initiative.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, THAT:

**Section 1.** The foregoing facts and recitations contained in the preamble of this resolution are hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

**Section 2.** The Mayor and the City Council of the City of Hialeah, Florida urge the Florida Legislature to raise Miami-Dade's per-pupil funding to adequately provide for a high quality educational experience for every student, and amend the Classrooms for Kids allocation formula for capital outlay funding to reflect actual capital outlay need, in furtherance of the Miami-Dade County Public Schools' legislative initiative.

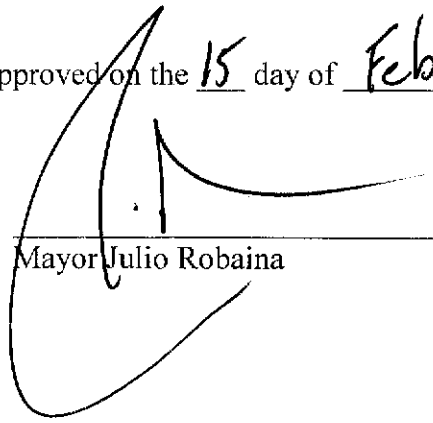
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of February, 2007.

  
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Esteban Bovo  
Council President

Attest:

  
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Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

Approved on the 15 day of February, 2007.

  
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Mayor Julio Robaina

Approved as to legal sufficiency and form:

  
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William M. Grodnick, City Attorney